

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 2254 – HB 2361

March 25, 2014

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Requires all identifying information about an alleged victim of a sexual offense pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. Title 30, Chapter 13, Part 5 to be held confidential and not available for public inspection or copying. Prohibits any public official or employee from disclosing any portion of a report, paper, picture, photograph, video, court file or other document which tends to identify such alleged victim.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (015261): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Requires, when a defendant has plead guilty to or is convicted of a sexual offense or violent sexual offense, certain information regarding the victim shall be treated as confidential and not open for inspection by members of the public. Authorizes the victim at any time to waive their right to confidentiality. Requires the district attorney general to inform such victims of their right to confidentiality or to waive such right.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumption for the bill as amended:

- The provisions of the bill as amended are not estimated to result in any significant fiscal impact to state or local government.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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